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Attorney Docket No. 1800

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Magaram et al.  
APPLICATION NO.: 09/332,459  
FILED: June 14, 1999  
FOR: Method and System for Representing  
Dependencies in a Financial Plan

EXAMINER: Nguyen, N.  
ART UNIT: 3628  
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**Response**

Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA. 22313

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Dear Sir:

This communication is a response to the Office action dated September 11, 2003 (hereinafter "the Office action"). Please consider the following remarks, which applicants submit places the case in condition for allowance.